



Re: Pechiney Cast Plating site - PCBS
Christine Bucklin to: Carmen Santos

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Ms. Santos:

I just received your email so now we are up to date ---ok so I just talked to the consultant and she said that they never received any correspondence from Mr. Weintraub which stated that EPA disapproved the plan and in fact her recollection of their talks led her to believe that he would be approving the plan. Therefore, it is likely important to have a discussion but we would like Mr. Weintraub to be in on the phone call also. Can you both make a 3 pm phone call tomorrow ?

If so, please send me Max's number too and I will tie us all in on a phone call.

Thanking you in advance,

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Greetings, Christine:

I have talked to my colleague Max Weintraub regarding the Pechiney Cast Plate, Inc. facility in Vernon, California. My understanding is that in October 2006 EPA disapproved the cleanup plan that Geomatrix submitted for EPA's review and that Geomatrix or the City of Vernon did not follow up with EPA on the disapproval of the cleanup plan.

I am available after 2:00 pm on March 5, 2009 for a conference call with you regarding the Pechiney site. Please let me know if this time works for you. Thank you.

Regards,
Carmen

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Ms. Santos:

Is Max's email address his name ? like weintraub.max ?

what if they cannot determine the PCB concentration in the oil?

Looking forward to our discussion on March 5th.

Cheers

>>> <Santos.Carmen@epamail.epa.gov> 03/02/09 4:34 PM >>>
Greetings, Christine:

Thank you for your message. Please send electronic copies of the information sent to Max Weintraub. I can make a conference call on March 5. I will let you know on March 3 what times I have available. I still need to know the PCB concentration in the oil that was used. Lets assume for now that TSCA applies to the soil cleanup as well as to the disposition of PCB containing concrete. I need more information as I explained earlier to let you know which cleanup options under TSCA is most

appropriate for the site. I cannot answer your question with the extremely limited information included in your message.

I look forward to providing assistance on the Pechiney Cast Plating site.
Thank you.

Regards,
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Ms. Santos,

We spoke on the phone this morning regarding my project in the City of Vernon. I also spoke with the consultant and she stated that they did

briefly work with a Max Weintraub (sp.) from your offices, but that he let them know of the reorganization your groups were going through. They did send him a risk assessment and remedial action plan but they never received any response. She confirmed to me that the site has been operating since the early 30s and that the lubricating oils they utilized in the process of making the aluminum casts is the likely suspect. They do not have any information on the concentration of the PCBs in the oils. However, they know that the name of the oil is 'Pydrol' and that there were varying degrees, such as A, B, C, D etc.... the facility stopped using the oils and is out of business so, we don't know...in any case, leaks are likely ongoing since the facility operated.

PCBs in soil and concrete are characterized at the site. We would like to work with you to determine if the facility needs to have one of the 2 types of approvals that you mentioned. The consultant can make a phone conference on Wednesday if you want to ask more questions, and she can send you the electronic copy of the document.

Please let me know what you think, thanking you in advance,

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